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Claim 19 is amended as follows:

In line 6 of the claim, delete “,” in between “1” and “and”

In line 6 of the claim, insert - - and has estrogen binding activity,- - at the end of the line

In line 8 of the claim, insert - - and has estrogen binding activity- - at the end of the line.

Claim 20 is amended as follows:

In line 5 of the claim, delete “gene” in between “receptor” and “according” and insert - - coding sequence- - in between “receptor” and “according”

In line 8 of the claim, delete “an expression amount of “ in between “measuring” and “the” and insert - - the amount of expression of - - in between “measuring” and “the”

Claim 21 is amended as follows:

In line 2 of the claim, insert - - (a)- - at the beginning of the line before “bringing”

In line ~~2~~<sup>2</sup> of the claim, delete “and” at the end of the line

In line ~~3~~<sup>2</sup> of the claim, insert - - , - - at end of the claim

In line ~~4~~<sup>3</sup> of the claim, insert - - (b)- - at the beginning of the claim, before “incubating”

In line ~~4~~<sup>3</sup> of the claim, delete “.” and insert - - and- -

At the end of the claim, insert (c) detecting the binding of the test substance with the estrogen receptor.- -

Claim 22 is amended as follows:

In line 6 of the claim, delete “receptor” in between “estrogen” and “encoded”

In line 6 of the claim, insert - - binding protein- - in between “estrogen” and “encoded”

In line ~~6 and 7~~<sup>6</sup> of the claim, delete “gene” in between “receptor” and “according” and insert - - coding sequence- - in between “receptor” and “according”

Claim 23 is cancelled.

Claims 1-16, and 19-22 are allowed.

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